

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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ARTISTRY FABRICS, INC. d/b/a HAMIL  
TEXTILES,

Plaintiff,

CIVIL ACTION NO. 07 CIV. 4842 (GEL)

-against-

THE CATO CORPORATION, CATO STORES,  
INC. and DAGIA'S, INC. d/b/a/ Red Hot,

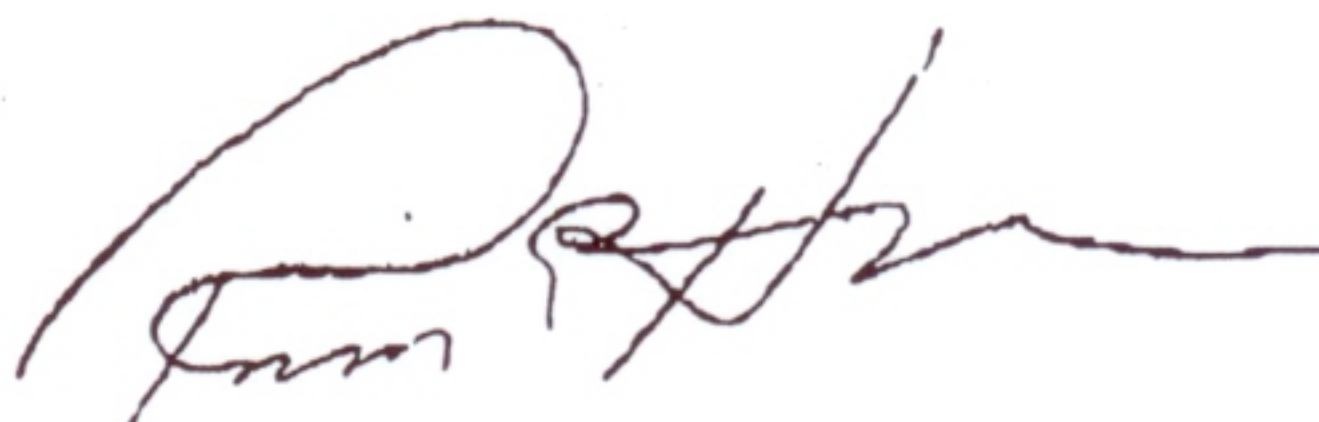
Defendants.  
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**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT SERVICE AND RECEIPT  
AND ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE OF SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT**

I, Robert E. Hanlon, Esq., hereby declare the following under penalties of perjury:

1. I am an attorney duly licensed to practice in this Court and a member of the firm Alston & Bird LLP, attorneys for Defendants The Cato Corporation and Dagia's, Inc. d/b/a/ Red Hot, in this action.
2. I am authorized to accept service of the Summons and Complaint in this action on behalf of Defendants The Cato Corporation and Dagia's, Inc. d/b/a/ Red Hot.
3. I acknowledge receipt and accept service of the Summons and Complaint in this action on behalf of Defendants The Cato Corporation and Dagia's, Inc. d/b/a/ Red Hot on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.

DATED: NEW YORK, NEW YORK  
July 18, 2007



Robert E. Hanlon (RMJ/TG)